GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEFENCE
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:389
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IMPORT OF DEFENCE EQUIPMENT
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Defence equipment are still being imported; and

(b) if so, the steps taken by the Government for manufacturing these equipment indigenously?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE)

(a) & (b): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) & (b) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 389 FOR 21-4-2005.

A portion of defence equipment is still being imported. However, Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) is engaged in indigenous development of defence equipment for manufacture by Indian industry. A number of equipment are being manufactured indigenously.

Towards further indigenisation of equipment manufacturing, various steps, such as, Transfer of Technology (TOT) and licence manufacture of imported equipment in Ordnance Factories, Defence Public Sector Undertakings and other Indian Industries, wherever feasible, are also taken up.